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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934



For: February 1, 2002

ALBERTA ENERGY COMPANY LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

3900, 421 - 7th Avenue S.W.

Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2P 4K9

(Address of principal executive office)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file  
annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F: \_\_\_\_\_ Form 40-F: ✓

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the  
information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the  
information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ✓

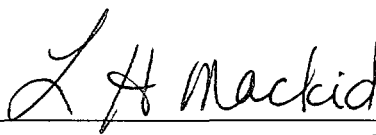
If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the  
registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): N/A.

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## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ALBERTA ENERGY COMPANY LTD.  
(Registrant)

By:   
Name: Linda H. Mackid  
Title: Assistant Corporate Secretary

Date: February 1, 2002

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Exhibit 1

**ALBERTA ENERGY COMPANY LTD.**

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February 1, 2002

**To:** Alberta Securities Commission  
 British Columbia Securities Commission  
 Saskatchewan Securities Commission  
 Manitoba Securities Commission  
 Ontario Securities Commission  
 Commission des valeurs mobilières du Québec  
 New Brunswick Office of the Administrator of Securities  
 Nova Scotia Securities Commission  
 Newfoundland Department of Government Services  
 and Lands, Securities Division  
 Prince Edward Island, Director of Corporations, Securities Division  
 Northwest Territories, Registrar of Securities  
 Nunavut Territory, Registrar of Securities  
 Yukon Territory, Registrar of Securities

**And to:** The Toronto Stock Exchange  
 New York Stock Exchange, Inc.

**Re: Alberta Energy Company Ltd.  
 Notice of Special Meeting of Shareholders and Optionholders  
 and Notice of Record Date**

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We advise the following with respect to the upcoming Meeting of Shareholders and Optionholders of Alberta Energy Company Ltd.

1. Meeting Type.....Special
2. Security Description of Voting Issue.....Common Shares and Stock Options
3. CUSIP Number .....012873 10 5
4. Record Date .....Wednesday, February 27, 2002
5. Meeting Date.....Thursday, April 4, 2002
6. Meeting Location.....TELUS Convention Centre  
 Calgary, Alberta

Per: "Brian C. Ferguson"  
 Vice-President, Corporate Communications  
 & Corporate Secretary